

Virginia Board of Nursing
Continued Competence Committee Meeting
September 15, 2009
Minutes

TIME AND PLACE: The Continued Competence Committee of the Board of Nursing was called to order at 2:33 p.m. on September 15, 2009 in Board Room 3, Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Richmond, Virginia.

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Lynne M. Cooper, Citizen Member, Chairperson
Joyce A. Hahn, PhD., APRN, NEA- BC
Peregrin C. Francisco, R.N., M.S.A.
Evelyn Lindsay, L.P.N.

STAFF PRESENT: Jay P. Douglas, R.N., M.S.M., C.S.A.C., Executive Director
Brenda Krohn, R.N., M.S., Deputy Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Rebecca Shaulis, VCU Graduate Student
Charissa Foster, representative from Hancock, Daniel, Johnson and Nagle

Ms. Cooper convened the meeting and welcomed Charissa Foster.

DISCUSSION: Ms. Douglas reviewed the report of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Continued Competence Committee that was provided in the business book to delegates of the 2009 NCSBN Annual Meeting. The report summarized the work of the Committee. Official conclusions and recommendations were not presented or acted on by NCSBN. The Committee has developed draft Guiding Principles of Continued Competence for Boards of Nursing and considered options for measuring continued competence.

Rebecca Shaulis, VCU Graduate student reviewed information she had obtained through a literature review to include reports from NCSBN and other states study of regulations related to continued competence.

The Committee discussed domains of practice; professional responsibility; knowledge based practice, legal/ethical practice, as well as collaboration with others. Additionally, the Committee discussed the value of a self assessment as a mechanism for evaluating an individual's continued competence needs.

The Committee determined that the work of NCSBN is not complete and that there are many and varied options used by boards of nursing in evaluating competence associated with licensure renewal.

The Committee directed Ms. Shaulis to compile a listing of all boards of nursing and their requirements for continued competence presented in grid format for the November 2009 Continued Competence Committee meeting. Following the November meeting, the Committee will make a recommendation to the full Board at their January 2010 meeting to begin the promulgation of regulation process.

Ms. Douglas will consult with the Virginia Nurses Association regarding future plans for a joint conference on continued competence.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Jay P. Douglas, R.N., M.S.M., C.S.A.C.
Executive Director